

It's a Miracle
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A miracle occurred in our family this past week. On Sunday, my daughter-in-law, Casey, gave birth to our second grandson, Tyler. Several times the next day, she would lay him on the bed in front of her and say, "I can't believe this baby was inside of me!" To give life to another human being is truly a miracle.

As I have talked with other men about this whole event, we are all amazed that such a thing can actually take place. And while each human being has similarities to his or her parents, we are all unique. There is no other person who is quite like us. My brother and I each have similar interests and tastes, but I am much better looking than he is. It isn't his fault; it just worked out that way. I am also much more modest than he is.

It is always interesting to listen to experts talk about the fact that no two people have fingerprints exactly alike. I'm not sure how many different combinations and mutations are possible, but it seems like sooner or later, God would have to start using some of them over.

I also am amazed that each person has their own DNA. We can prove a person was not around by the absence of their DNA. In fact, DNA evidence alone has been used to prove a person's innocence in courts of law. No two people have the same DNA.

How unique we all are. We are similar, but no two people are exactly alike. We have our own subtle differences and nuances. We each have our individual personalities and oddities. And if you ever want to hear about real oddities in personalities, ask me about my sister some time. But the point is that we are all similar, but different at the same time.

But to me, a greater miracle is the fact that God knows each of us, even better than we know ourselves. He knows everything about us. In fact, he knows my whole family history. I don't know as much about me and what makes me who and what I am as well as God does. He even knows how many hairs I have on my head.

Still, that is not the greatest miracle. Even greater than the miracle of life, and greater than the degree to which God knows us, is the fact that God loves each of us. In fact, the Bible says that even while we were sinners, He loves us so much that he sent His own son to die for us.

The Bible teaches us that because of sin, death entered the world. Since each of us have sinned, we are all consigned to pay the penalty for sin, which is death. But Christ loved us enough to pay the penalty for us so that we might have life, instead.

God's unconditional love for us, in spite of how well he knows us, is truly a miracle. Think about that the next time you witness a miracle, such as a little boy or girl playing and enjoying the life that their parents gave them. Life is truly a miracle, but eternal life is the greatest miracle of all!

Semper Fi in the Lord and I hope to see you in Church on Sunday.